

IN THE CLAIMS

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1 16. (currently amended) A downhole injection evaluation system comprising:
2 a) at least one downhole fiber optic sensor permanently disposed a first well
3 for sensing at least one parameter associated with injecting a fluid into a
4 formation;
5 wherein said first well is selected from (I) an injection well, and, (II) a production
6 well.

1 17. (previously presented) A downhole injection evaluation system as claimed in claim
2 16 wherein said system further includes an electronic controller operably
3 connected to said at least one downhole fiber optic sensor.

1 18. (previously presented) A downhole injection evaluation system as claimed in claim
2 17 wherein said at least one downhole fiber optic sensor is operably connected an
3 additional sensor in a second well

1 19. (previously presented) A system for controlling hydrocarbon production
2 comprising:
3 a) a production well;
4 b) an injection well having a data link to said production well ;

5 c) at least one sensor located in either of said injection well and said
6 production well, said at least one sensor being capable of sensing at least
7 one parameter associated with an injection operation, said sensor being
8 operably connected to a controller for controlling injection in the injection
9 well.

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1 21. (previously presented) A downhole injection evaluation system as claimed in
2 claim 17 wherein said system further includes at least one downhole acoustic
3 signal generator whereby signals generated by said at least one signal generator
4 reflect off a flood fluid/hydrocarbon interface and are received by said at least one
5 downhole sensor.

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1 61. (previously presented) The system of claim 17 wherein said electronic controller is at
2 a surface location.

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1 62. (previously presented) The system of claim 17 wherein said electronic controller is at
2 a downhole location.

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1 63. (previously presented) The system of claim 18 wherein said first well is one of (i)
2 an injection well, and, (ii) a production well, and wherein said second well is the
3 other of (i) an injection well, and, (ii) a production well.

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1 64. (previously presented) The system of claim 18 wherein said sensor in said first
2 well is operably connected to said sensor in said second well by a fiber optic link.

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1 65. (previously presented) The system of claim 63 further comprising a controller for
2 controlling a flow control device in at least one of the first well and the second
3 well.

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1 66. (previously presented) The system of claim 65 wherein said flow control device is
2 selected from the group consisting of: (i) a valve, (ii) fluid control device, (iii)
3 packer, (iv) sliding sleeve, (v) safety valve, (vi) an anchor, and (vii) a pump.

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1 67. (previously presented) The system of claim 63 further comprising an acoustic
2 receiver in at least one of the first well and the second well.

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1 68. (previously presented) The system of claim 67 further comprising an acoustic
2 transmitter in at least one of the first well and the second well.

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- 1 69. (previously presented) The system of claim 67 wherein said acoustic receiver
2 receives acoustic signals indicative of a location of fluid front between the first
3 well and the second well.
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- 1 70. (previously presented) The system of claim 67 wherein said acoustic receiver
2 receives acoustic signals indicative of a fracture between the first well and the
3 second well.
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- 1 71. (previously presented) The system of claim 70 wherein said signals are produced
2 by a change in said fracture.
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- 1 72. (previously presented) The system of claim 68 wherein said acoustic receiver
2 receives acoustic signals indicative of a location of fluid front between the first
3 well and the second well.
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- 1 73. (previously presented) The system of claim 68 wherein said acoustic receiver
2 receives acoustic signals indicative of a fracture between the first well and the
3 second well.
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- 1 74. (currently amended) A method of producing hydrocarbons from a subterranean
2 reservoir comprising:
3 a) permanently installing at least one downhole fiber optic sensor in a first

4 ~~well~~ one of (I) an injection well, and, (II) a production well, for sensing at
5 least one parameter associated with injection of a fluid into said reservoir.

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1 75. (previously presented) The method of claim 74 further comprising using an
2 electronic controller operably connected to said at least one downhole fiber optic
3 sensor

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1 76. (previously presented) The method of claim 75 further comprising operably
2 connecting said at least one downhole fiber optic sensor to an additional sensor in
3 a second well

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1 77. (previously presented) The method of claim 74 further comprising
2 (i) using at least one downhole acoustic signal generator for generating
3 signals that interact with a flood front in said reservoir, and
4 (ii) receiving signals resulting from said interaction with said at least one
5 downhole sensor.

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1 79. (previously presented) The method of claim 75 further comprising positioning
2 said electronic controller at a surface location

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- 1 80. (previously presented) The method of claim 75 further comprising positioning
2 said electronic controller at a downhole location
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- 1 81. (previously presented) The method of claim 76 wherein said first well is one of (i)
2 an injection well, and, (ii) a production well, and wherein said second well is the
3 other of (i) an injection well, and, (ii) a production well.
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- 1 82. (previously presented) The method of claim 76 further comprising operably
2 connecting said sensor in said first well to said sensor in said second well by a
3 fiber optic link.
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- 1 83. (previously presented) The method of claim 81 further comprising using a
2 controller for controlling a flow control device in at least one of the first well and
3 the second well.
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- 1 84. (previously presented) The method of claim 83 wherein said flow control device
2 is selected from the group consisting of: (i) a valve, (ii) fluid control device, (iii)
3 packer, (iv) sliding sleeve, (v) safety valve, (vi) an anchor, and (vii) a pump.
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- 1 85. (previously presented) The method of claim 81 further comprising using an
2 acoustic receiver in at least one of the first well and the second well for receiving
3 acoustic signals.

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1 86. (previously presented) The method of claim 81 further comprising using an
2 acoustic transmitter in at least one of the first well and the second well for sending
3 acoustic signals into said reservoir.

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1 87. (previously presented) The method of claim 85 further comprising using said
2 acoustic receiver for receiving acoustic signals indicative of a location of fluid
3 front between the first well and the second well.

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1 88. (previously presented) The method of claim 85 further comprising using said
2 acoustic receiver for receiving acoustic signals indicative of a fracture between
3 the first well and the second well.

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1 89. (previously presented) The method of claim 88 wherein said signals are produced
2 by a change in said fracture.

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1 90. (previously presented) The method of claim 86 further comprising using said
2 acoustic receiver for receiving acoustic signals indicative of a location of fluid
3 front between the first well and the second well.

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1 91. (previously presented) The method of claim 86 further comprising using said
2 acoustic receiver for receiving acoustic signals indicative of a location of a

3 fracture between the first well and the second well.

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1 92. (previously presented) The method of claim 81 further comprising:

2 (i) using an acoustic transmitter in one of said two wells for propagating

3 acoustic signals into said reservoir, and

4 (ii) using an acoustic receiver in the other of said two wells for receiving said

5 signals after passing through said reservoir.

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1 93. (previously presented) The method of claim 92 further comprising using a

2 controller for processing said signals and determining from said received signals

3 an indication of pressure transmissivity of said reservoir.

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1 94. (previously presented) The method of claim 92 further comprising:

2 (A) using a controller for processing said received signals,

3 (B) using a controller for controlling the operation of a fluid control device in

4 at least one of the first well and the second well.

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